WAR'S LITTLE HARDSHIPS.

VARIED MISERIES OF BRITISH TROOPS IN SOUTH APRICA.

Julian Raiph Tells What He Suffered and of the Worse Lot of the Soldiers-The Poor Food and the Exposure Experiences of an American Scout Captured by the Boers. LONDON, May 1 .- Julian Raiph who, in a considerably battered condition is now on his way back to England, gives a forcible description of the effect of seven months of South

African warfare upon his nerves:
"Battered externally, disordered inside, unable to digest food for weeks, nursing bruises and ailments a half dozen at once. I look upon this war as having ill repaid me for the kindly and jubilant tone in which I have dealt with it. 'And, oh! how sick of it I am -how deadly unutterably sick I am of it!

"The long months of sand diet and hard faring under Methuen took from me a stomach which an ostrich would have envied, and exchanged for it a second-hand, worn-out apparatus which turns upside down at the approach of any food except diluted milk.

"A piece of Boer shell which hit me on the chest made me faint and weary for many days, and then a model method of alighting from a Cape cart into a trench with the cart on top of me left me one-legged for five weeks, after which I found myself with a low-class, noaccount limb in which I have no confidence. Upon my recovering this inferior and makeshift other leg, my horse shot me into a wire fence which tore both arms into shreds, painted one thigh like an omelet, and the other like South African sunset, and left me an internal fracture which I must keep as a perpetual seuvenir of what we are all beginning to speak

of as 'the bore war.' "Try to imagine the spirits of a man fashloned in the image of his creator who finds himself thus gradually changing into an exhibit for a medical museum, and you begin to obtain a glimpse of the fatigue with which I now view this war.

"We all feel that we have seen by far the best and liveliest of it. There can be no new scenes or surroundings in what is to come. The Boer will hide, the yeldt will reach away the valiant Briton will endure-on and on and on; no one knows how far; no one knows how long! There may be one more great battle (or there may not be). And then we may see six months or a year of petty, piffling guerrilla work-by little bands, all over the yeldtand this final protracted stage will be attended by all t e discomforts of campaigning in a desert which was introduced to us as a baked

only breast high and covered sopping wet ground, but it served as the mess room and retreat for the officers who came out, by the way, in their wringing wet clothes to ask us the

retreat for the officers who came out, by the way, in their wringing wet clothes to ask us the usual shopworn questions about the latest rumor that Mafeking was relieved, and another that Buller had done something.

"I could see into their tent and noticed that they lived on bully beef, tinned milk, tea and fam—delicious things for a pienic—if the pienic does not last seven months on end.

"Each of the other two shelters was made by throwing a porous blue army blanket over a pole and pinning down the sides so as to make a burrow two feet high and six feet long. It seemed to me that it must be slightly wetter and a hundredfold more disagneeable in such a hutch than out on the veldt. It was out on the veldt that we saw the Tommies; the poor, neglected, all-suffering, woe-begone looking, but none the less devil-may-care.

"The Tommies wer walking up and down in the rain. Their overcoats were not only soaking wet, but, for some strange military reason, were split behind straight up to the small of each man's back so as to expose all of each man's back so as to expose all of each leg to the wet. A few had put blankets over their coats and were also walking, walking, walking. One was seaded on a box with an audience of three others on boxes and was singing a music-hall ditty vigorously through his nose. Several who walked about were whistling. All seemed either very happy or reasonably so.

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They had been soaking wet and chilled to the bone for days. They could cook nothing, boil nothing, heat nothing, for not a dry thing with which to make a fire could be found upon the soaking yeldt. They doubtless had plenty to eat, but it was all tinned stuff, and must have been taken cold and eaten each thing by itself, without a chance of making a toothsome combination. Plenty were dying electry were sickening. without a chance of making a toothsome combi-nation. Plenty were dying plenty were sickening, others must have felt very uncomfortable; yet those who were of the mettle to survive were whistling, singing and cracking lokes. They are welcome to crack one at me for speak-ing of my own troubles, where men have to live, as I saw perhaps 20000 living between Bloemfontein and Norval's Pont."

Burnham, the American scout, has given Bennet Burleigh an account of his adventures when a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, He was sent out to Bloemfontein by Lord Roberts on March 30 to scout as far as Thaba N'chu and up to the Basuto border, his object being to find out the numbers of the Boers and what and up to the Bassia order, in solect peng to find out the numbers of the Boers and what they were planning. On the following morning he was captured by half a dozen Boers as he was trying to signal to the British who were entering the fatal ambush of the Koorn Spruit. To continue in his own words: "They told me I was a prisoner, and ordered me to dismount, and follow them into a cattle kraal, or stone-wall enclosure near by, when they turned the horses loose, and took up positions to fire upon the seldiers. I got some further experience of the Boer tactics in war. These six men had seen the advantages the kraal offered covering as it did a ridge a little way east of Koorn Spruit, and overlooking the water course and the opposite plain. Without any beating about the bush, waiting for orders, using their own eyes, and exercising their closs watch. When we first entered the stone krad the Boets selected their positions under cover from which to fire, and I lay down in a corner where I could see all that was soing on outside, without showing myself, which I was actpennitted to do. All the Boets had Mausers, and only one of the men was young—a fellow

just turned 20 years. The Boers were very nervous less their plan should miscarry.

They were part of the force that had followed our men from Ladybrand and Thaba N'Chu, and in the night had ridden ahead of their pursuing main body, and at 5 A. M. had got in front of Gen. Broadwood's column, selzing and lining the banks of Koorn Spruit. They were afraid they might be entrapped in turn, and had their scouts away out toward Boesman's Kop, where six companies of mounted infantry lay, under Major Martyr, doing next to nothing. I saw the convoy wagons rush off without an escort, each as soon as it was ready, straight for the Spruit. The guns and troopers followed. Without a shot being fired, all of the column seemed to have fallen into the enemy's hands, for Boers were holding up the wagons and guns, and walking among them, making everybody prisoners, as I thought. I was sure that they had grabbed the lot.

Not more than 1,400 Boers were upon the field when the action began with their shelling the camp. Within three hours, or by 8 A. M., they had 5,000 men assalling Broadwood. This I learned later on. Suddenly there was a wild transformation. The moment before I had heard Boer voices, and officers' voices, giving orders, the sounds whereof were borne up to me. Then, as up to the block of vehicles and men rode Roberts's Horse and others, which should have been an escort to the wagons and guns, there arose shouts. Files about, and Turn the horses about, a tumuit of cries, followed instantly by the flercest, fastest infantry fire I have ever heard. The wagons and horses had not completed going about when the terrible fusiliade had begun and was at full blast. The uproor of Mauser fire, added to the confusion and stampeded guns and wagons. I held my breath, saying all must be killed, no living thing can escape that whiriwind of bullets.

"One of the batteries (Q), which was upon the outside of the three-banked rows of wagons, halted at the spruit, dashed off, following Roberts's Horse to the rear and south. Yet most of

wagons from capture. Who gave the order for that deed of self-sacrifice I don't know. It may have been a sergeant or Lieutenant, for their commanding officer had been left behind at the time. One of the guns upset in wheeling, caused by the downfail of wounded horses. There it lay afterward, while three steeds for a long time fought madly to free themselves from the traces and the presence of their dead stable companions. "As soon as the gunners manning the five guns opened with shrapnel the Boers hiding in Koorn Spruit slackened their fire, preferring to keep under cover as much as possible. In that way many others escaped. The mounted infantry deployed and engaged the Boer gunners and skirmishers to the east, and the cavalry with Roberts's Horse dismounted and railled to cover the guns from the fire. A small body was also despatched to strike south and fight north. My captors directed their attention to Q Battery. They got the range, 1,700 yards, by one of the Boers firing at contiguous bare ground, until he saw by the dust puffs he had got the distance, where upon he gave the others the exact range, which they at cross adonted. The gunners gave whereupon he gave the others the exact range, which they at once adopted. The gunners gave us nearly forty-eight shrannel for they were fir-

by all t e discomforts of campaigning in a desert which was introduced to us as a baked and dusty Sahara, but is now to be a wet, sogry expanse. growing colder and colder, until daily for weeks, the pickets shall be found frozen to death at their posts.

"What an outlook what a prospect for description by one who has seen it all and endured it all except the cold." And then the private sicknesses and accidents and the public checks and disasters. How all of it gets on one's nerves and grinds and tears them—until one loathes the break of a new day, the recurrence of neal times, the daily struggle with the censor over the last petty singing; yee, even the burget cold for leed. "We are all sick. Some are sick with sick in both ways. I could forge thousands of signatures to that statement, and you might publish them. You would not hear a protest from any one."

Such was the frame of mind in which he left Bloemfontsin, "with its 2,500 entrage patients, its maddening dul, routine of life. But as the train pulled out on its way to Norvals Pont he saw a sight which seems of the some work was." Norvals Pont he saw as sight which seems of those men had been here guarding but an illimitable spongy, stodgey bog, with a diving upon it, without tents, were solders—solders everywhere. Mentally I asked for giveness for having, during even one moment, thought of my own disconforts and worries. But as the train pulled out on its way to the same of those men had been here guarding the railway and hole month. They had begun the nask mendately at the end of the availustant of the Field Marshall's progress from the sake mendately at the end of the availustant of the Field Marshall's progress from the key would have charged, closing in on the sake in the private of the private of the sake in the private of the private of the private of the private of the sake in the private of the priva

Gras Pan to Bloemfontein, when they marched as no Europeans ever marched before, and were starved as none ever should be again.

"Now the bitterly cold driving rains had come and turned the veldt beneath them, wet as the air around them, shivering, playing drum tunes with their teeth coughing, walking, and stamping to keep warm—doing everything except complaining. Why, beside those men, I was a duke with a palace of comforts. And if I had their complaints to make instead of my own, I should have been under and not atop of the wicked, cruel veldt.

"And these were Guards, mind you—the first few thousands spread over the first few miles; Grenadiers, Scots, Coldstreams!" London pets' you have often called them; "tin soldiers,' and you have laughed at them in your London homes and newspapers. Well, they did not complaining at this. The officers were glad to take anything we could give them to glad to take anything we could give them to read, and the men did not spurn small offerings of tobacco, but it is only just to say that none of them siked for anything.

"Down the line we came to a station and camp which presented a picture of misery as complete as any that I ever saw in Chinese slum, Whitechapel alley or negro barracks in New York. It was misery pared down to the raw, though none of its sufferers seemed aware of it. The beastly velidt was a mosaic of little pools and sodden tufts of sage. There was three or four shelters. One, the largest, was made by throwing a tarpaulin sheet over two piles of boxes. It was only breast high and covered sopping wet ground, but it served as the mess room and sterent for the officers who came out, by the ground, but it served as the mess room and strend for the officers who came out, by the ground but it served as the mess room and strend for the officers who came out, by the ground the wind of the principal control of the woulded of the principal control of the woulded and sick into Brandfort. So we all started forward again in the dark to go to Winner and a many that the pri that the British were at Brandfort. So we all started forward again in the dark to go to Winburg. On and on, the men and animals being marched to the point of exhaustion. Sunday had passed in the same way, with only brief halts for food and rest, until, early on Monday morning, we were within ten miles of Winburg. We had thus treikked about forty-four miles from Koorn Spruit. I made a sketch of the route. I gathered all the information I could as to the Boers' numbers and intentions, and told several of the wounded officers that I intended escaping, and would carry back any messages. Behind the wagon I was upon several mounted Boers rode, and a little bushman was set to watch me, as they had gallym suspicious, one of the wounded men a gallym suspicious, one of the wounded officers that into the suspicious one of the track. The mounted men is one of the wounded officers that into the condition of the side of the track. The mounted men is one of the wounded officers that it is not the side of the track. The mounted men is one of the wounded officers that it is not

hours without food or water or daring to move until darkness set in. It was a trying experience, which nearly drove me mad, for the sun's rays were parching and blistering hot. At sunset I arose, got a drink in a spruit, and hurried down the back track.

"Without food I was weak, and it was not until another day spent hiding in a kople that on 4 o'clock on Thursday morning I reached Broadwood's cavalry camp at Rhinoceros Spruit, five miles outside of Bloemfontein. From the time I escaped until I arrived I had only one biscuit and a mealle colo to eat. The Boers treated their prisoners very fairly, permitting no one to insuit them. I think that they were altogether a better class of Boers. Some of their leaders were sharp, intelligent fellows. Among them were Lammer, Bester, Olliver, Grobler and De Wet, the latter dressed like a well-to-do shopkeeper. He is a man about 40 vears old, of slender build, rolite in manners and tidy in dress.

and De Wet, the latter of an about 40 years old, of hopkeeper. He is a man about 40 years old, of hender build, rolite in manners and tidy in dress. Everybody paid him marked respect.

"The commandoes are under no discipline in the ordinary sense. An elder or two takes it upon himself to bid the noisy keep quiet, of the obstrenerous behave themselves. If they are naughty these old chars just sail in and sjambok the yourseters—that is, lash them with a rawhide whip. And the cultrits take with a rawhide whip taining and obedience 'sjambok' the youngsters—that is, lash them with a rawhide whip. And the cultrits take it quietly, for their training and obedience is of the patriarchal period. The Boer leaders and men often argue out with one another what should be done. And they arrange the fighting among themselves much in this wise: 'And you do so and so, I'll undertake to do so and so with my fellows,' or, 'Come, let us catch these rooineks' or, 'We have good shooting here, why should we leave this place?' So far as I could make out they captured 410 wounded and unwounded trisoners at Koorn Spruit. These included about thirty officers, of whem ten were wounded. So far as I saw, the Free Staters and Trans-vaalers were on good terms with each other."

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EARLY SPRING SERPENTS. ONE HAS TWO PEET AND IT KICKS

MR. WOODRUFF WITH BOTH. Gyrates on Its Tall and Moves by Leaps Like a Kangaroo-This One Was a New Jersey Snake-A Pair on Long Island Stop a Team and Grapple With the Driver.

When happy springtime fills the land with the green of growing things and the shy violet peeps forth and the rest of the regulation features of the season arrive on schedule time THE SUN'S local correspondents in various directions discover snakes of curious design, nature, and personal activities, and proceed to send accurate reports of doings of the vernal reptiles in for publication. Many of these serpents attain Nirvana in the waste basket; others are sent to Bellevue for examination as to their degree of alcoholism, but a remnant is saved and there are presented herewith two samples, one of the New Jersey style and the other of the Long Island brand. Snakes abound in many other parts of the country but the annual pro duction of snake stories is always more luxuriant and fecund from these two localities than from any other parts of the world. The latest New Jersey ophidian is perhaps not

snake but it is placed by the correspondent in that category pending further investigation. It inhabited the Woodruff estate on Prospect avenue, West Orange, and did strange, weird things there. Chief among its antics was the practice of standing upon its tail and advanding across the roadway in front of the eyes of horror-stricken wayfarers in a series of mad leaps. It would then climb a tree and proceed to hypnotize the spectators. Its eyes are described as 'glaring and glassy" and endowed with a hypnotic influence that was "d reful and malicious." Besides these attributes it possessed a pair of feet situate about ten inches from the end of the tail. It is alleged to have been four feet long, and such of the local population as didn't consider it to be the private secretary of onsider it to be an environmentally of the opinion that it was the missing link connecting the leaping kangaroo and the leviathan of the Scriptures. Its den was on the side of a hill not far from the roadway, and at such times as it was not scaring the populace into assorted fits it loved dearly to indulge in the innocent recreation of suppling around upon its tail so swiftle.

was not scaring the populace into assorted fits it loved dearly to indulge in the innocent recreation of spinning around upon its tail so swiftly that those who witnessed its gyrations became dizzy and fell down in heaps.

For several weeks it has been monarch of all it surveyed, but two intrepid inhabitants of West Orange, John Woodruff and John Tilly, decided last week that its evil practices must be stopped, and they sallied forth, armed with shotzius loaded with silver shot, as a precaution against the arts of darkness, and blue-glass spectacles to guard against the hypnotic eye. When the creature came out of its den it first gyrated, but finding that unavailing shinned up a tree and bent its compelling gaze upon the two. As a consequence of trying to hypnotize both at once, however, it got its eyes badly crossed and had to give over that line of action. With a horrich liss it next bounded from the tree, rushed upon Woodruff and kicked him with both its feet at once. Immediately the two men fired and the remains of the monster were carefully gathered up in a broket and will be stock together and put on the two men fired and the remains of the monster were carefully gathered up in a bucket and will be stuck together and put on exhibition. Such is the story that comes from New Jersey. A Sty reporter asked a well-known snake expert now temporarily residing in Ward 26 of Bellevue Hespital his opinion of the West Orange phenomenon, having previously shown him the description of the creature. The expert is of the opinion that the Jerseyites have siain a slithy tove, the best description of which is given in the late Lewis Carroll's well-known scientific treatise. "Through the Looking Glass." The picture of the slithy tove shows it to be a large snaky animal with feet and a long, corkscrew tail, upon which it "did gyre and gimble in the wabe;" that is to say and a long, corkscrew tail, upon which it "did gyre and gimble in the wabe:" that is to say it went round and round like a gyroscope and bored like a gimlet. It is said to be a long time since a tove of any kind has been killed in this

vicinity
The Long Island snake story is of a simpler The Long Island snake story is of a simpler nature, though the reptiles seem to have been of a more strategic disposition than the Jersev specimen. There were two of them and they attacked Farmer Benjamin as he was driving homeward one evening last week to his house in Rockville Centre. He first saw them rearing in the moonlight in tront of his horse. The animal shied, whereupon the largest of the serpents leaped at the bridle, caught it, and reaching out with its tailgothold of a big rock as an anchor. The horse tried to run, but was soon brought to a standstill by the snake. Then the companion reptile swarmed snake. Then the companion reptile swarmed up a wheel into the wag n and tried to choke Mr. Benjamin to death, a nefarious purpose, in which it was joined by the first. All in a bunch the trio fell out upon the ground and there they fought for an unreckers of parled will the tried to the production. reckoned period until the two assailants suddenly and to the great surprise of the farmer, who was almost played out, gave two terrific hisses and made for the brush. When he got home Mr. Benjamin found that his diamond shirt stud had been bitten completely off.

THE SUN'S snake expert says that Mr. Benjamin was undoubtedly attacked by a pair of diamond-backed rattlesnakes who were looking for something fancy in the line of personal ornamentation. He further says that if any snake is found on Long Island with a new diamond-set into its back that snake should be at once apprehended as one of the assailants of Farmer Benjamin.

WORK OF THE HARVARD CREW. The Coach Is Having Trouble in Making His

Final Selections. CAMBRIDGE, May 27 .- There has been considerable trouble during the past week in making a final selection for the Harvard Varsity crew. The material has proven big and strong enough to do any amount of things. but there has been a sad falling off in skill, when it came to holding it out for four miles At this game the men who had been through a season with the 'Varsity at New London were far and away ahead of the men who had rowed only on the mile and seven-eighths course. The natural result of this was that the second week of training found all the last year's crew except one, who was forced to quit rowing, back in the boat. This gave the old timers the thought that they were the real things after all. and real progress ceased after they had been together a day or so. This was very much against the liking of the coach and captain and one time row was sufficient to make a great shake-up. Bullard, Ladd and Shubruk of last year's freshman crew were put back in the boat with Biddle, who has not rowed in a Varsity boat since Lehmann's second year.

There has, however, been continual fault found with Ladd at 5 and Shubruk at 4. In the latter position Tilton, who was forced to stop rowing on account of a threatened attack of heart disease, has proven a big loss. Shubruk cannot fill it and it is doubtful if any man in Harvard to-day can fully fill it. Not only in his rowing was Tilton a pillar to the crew but he was quite as valuable in his ability to "jolly" a set of men into doing their very best and putting the fight and animus into them that counts in rowing as in every other sport, from golf to tiddledywinks. The last experiment has been to try Lawrence at 4. The same experiment was tried in the graded eights, but it was not successful and he was returned to the starboard side of the boat. with Biddle, who has not rowed in a 'Varsity

eights, but it was not successful and he was returned to the starboard side of the boat.

The lack of good port men for the waist positions has caused a second attempt to be made to change him over, with some, but not entire success. George Faulkner, the professional single sculler, has had Lawrence in hand for the past two weeks trying to turn the trick and he has shown much better form than when he was on the graded crew, but this is about the whole story. In short, he has not changed into a good port man. Shubruk, who was heralded last year as a comer, has not done well. He lacks control of himself and has by no means the form that won him the tule of the best man of the freshman last year. Ladd has also been giving trouble and was replaced by McConnell for a day last week, and then put back the day after. The latter, a husky man, who has learned his rowing by keeping at it, is now for the first time having the benefit of 'Varsity attention. He is making rapid strides and as he has the weight and endurance for a four-miler he may at the last minute prove the man for a piace in the boat.

The change of Harding and Evans from the first boat to the second was caused by too much weight in the bow. All these men base taken weight in the bow.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Judson of the Judson Memorial Church in Washington Square complained to the police on Saturday night that he had been annoyed by two women while walking through Thompson street. A squad of plain clothes men were at once hustled out from the Mercer street station to "clean up" the street. They made ten arrests, and in Jefferson Market court vesterday ten five-dollar fines were collected from the prisoners.

Schooner Vacht Tempest Sold.

Bancon, Ye., May 27.—Frank P. Wood has sold his schoon r yacht Tempest to J. Desmond of Boston and the craft is now at one of the Buckport yards receiving an overhauling and repairs. The price paid has not been made public. The Tempest is one of the best cruising yachts on the coast. Although nothing definite is known to regard to the Tempest's future, it is presumed that she will be used as a charity craft in Boston harbor in connection with the movement to provide free outings for children and others of that city's poor during the warm months.

LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN. "Americans may deserve the reputation they

bear from eating more rapidly than some other people," said the fat commuter, "but it seems to me that it is time to stop comparing them unfavorably with Germans in this particular The American who spends a few years abroad begins to talk or write about ice water, fast eating and a few other topics so soon as he comes home, in order to show how such national habits jar a nature refined by European living. It may be that the French and English eat more slowly than the American. But I lived for some years in Germany, and am willing to bet any reasonable amount that the men of that nation are the fastest eaters in the world. They have no quick lunch restaurants, they go about their eating more deliberately, and spend more time at their meals. They remain at the table to smoke or talk for some time after they have finished eating. But I'll wager that the time the average German actually spends in eating is less age German actually spends in eating is less than that necessary to any other people. They iterally bolt their food from the first course to the last. The processes of digestion may be aided by the rest that follows, for the German always takes his case after a meal. But he is no slower than the American, who has a right to protest against the sage observers of American life who dwell with such insistence on this phase of our life. It would probably be much better if slow eating were more customary here and the habit of hurrying at the table was less general. But the most confirmed victim of the habit will never be able to learn anything from eral. But the most confirmed victim of the habit will never be able to learn anything from

Mattre Labori, who is coming to this country next year to lecture on the Dreyfus case, will have the advantage of being able to address his audiences in a language they understand, as he speaks English fluently and spent some time while a student of law in London. His wife is an English woman and was married to the planist Vladimir de Pachmann, but got a divorce and married the French lawyer. This fact was recalled last winter when the Polish pianist declared on all possible occasions that he had undertaken his latest tour here in order to earn enough money to give it to Labori for the education of his two children, who live with their mother. As M. de Pach-mann invested a large part of his profits in a New Jersey farm, however, the share that he intended for M. Labori must have been considerably diminished. He is now living on the farm until the weather is sufficiently settled to enable him to take the voyage to Europe with certainty of an easy crossing. He is a very poor sailor. Another new lecturer next winter enable and to take the voyage to Endope the certainty of an easy crossing. He is a very poor sailer. Another new lecturer next winter will be Winston Churchill, son of Lady Randolph Churchill, who is now in South Africa One certain benefit of his visit will be the final proof that he is not the author of "Richard Carvel." He and the young American writer of the same name have be n so frequently confused that only the simultaneous presence of the two here in the fiesh could establish effectively the difference between them. The publication of the English Winston Churchill's book, although it was a work of a wholly different character from "Richard Carvel," did not serve to make the difference between the two any clearer. During the pass year there have been no notable lecturers here and the two men who will be most conspicuous in the field ought to meet with success.

When Edouard de Reszke left this country in April it was his intention to visit his three daughters, who are at a boarding school in Paris, before returning to his home in Poland, where his wife and youngest daughter live. The youngest daughter and he was called hurriedly to Poland with his other children. Less than a year ago his only son died when he was only a few months old.

uard Strauss and his band to this country next autumn do not misspell, as many persons have supposed, the first name of the greater Johann's brother. The name is spelt in German without the "o" that Americans are accustomed to see in the names of foreign celebrities who adopt the French method of writing it. One of the novelties of the Viennese band's repertoire here will be a waltz composed by Johann, Josef and will be a waltz composed by Johann, Josef and Eduard Strauss. It is called "Trifolien" and was written twenty years ago for a musical society in Vienna called the "Hesperus." A bitter quarrel between the three brothers prevented the performance in public. The introduction and first movement was composed by Johann. the second movement and coda by Eduard, who will conduct the first performance of the waltz here. Johann Strauss always attributed the success of "The Beautiful Blue Danube" to this country. The waltz was given first by a chorus of male voices in Vienna. It made little impression and dropped out of of a military band and became a sensations success. Then its fame was carried back to Europe and it became the best known of the Viennese composer's waltzes.

The war in South Africa has made a close corporation of a group of English and Canadian brokers in Wall Street who hardly knew each other by sight a year ago. Their common interest in the fortunes of the British army, particularly after the Canadian troops had reached the front, brought them together and the campaign is followed by them closely. When the story of Cronje's capture came, bringing the details of the Canadian troops active part in it, the Canadian brokers celebrated enthusiastically and they were at first inclined to overlook the fact that Gen. Roberts and some Englishmen had a hand in the capture. The English brokers informed them emphatically that while the Canadian troops were a'l right yet they were not doing all of the fighting. This sounded fair, and after some little discussion the Canadians and Englishmen came to a peaceful agreement as to the division of glory. In this little circuit of offices a private cable from South Africa or a letter from some man at the front circulates quickly and takes precedence over business messages. the campaign is followed by them closely. messages.

A woman golfer who appeared at Van Cort landt Park a few days ago wore a novelty which stirred up the old discussion as to the propriety of wearing mourning bands. She was very obviously dressed for golf and around one arm of her very red jacket she wore a broad mourning band. The contrast was striking and the "gallery" gave up watching the other players and speculated on the propriety of such a badge on so brilliant a jacket. It was not certain that the black band was worn for mourning, but there seemed to be no other exidenation of it. The mourning band has never found as much favor in this country as it has in England, possibly because it is looked upon as a rather carcless expression of sentiment. Indeed one reader of The Sun who was misinformed criticised the wearing of mourning bands on the ground that only servants wore them in England. This is not true. It may be safely said, however, that persons who are attentive to details of dress do not wear mourning bands. That was the reason that the woman in the red golf jacket stirred up such a discussion. Her clothes were well cut and she was the most stylishly dressed woman on the links. It was not noticeable, however, that hess of her game. and the "gallery" gave up watching the other

any of the city hospitals to warrant a well person contriving to get into them, but there are half a dozen men and women in this city who make a practice of feigning illness that they may spend a few days in a hospital cot The negro who was treated to a strong whift o ammonia at Bellevue on Saturday night was quickly recognized as one of these fake patients. His specialty is throwing its in a crowded street. This insures prompt attendance and a ride to the hospital in an ambulance. Until the physicians satisfied themselves that he merely feigned illness he was accepted as a retient.

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CAPE NOME'S GOLD CLAIMS.

LOCATED DURING THE WINTER. This situation is largely due to the winter work of stampeders. Ellis says:

"When we get down to facts it is found that the famous beach mines were all very spotted. In some cases gold was found from low water to the highest places on the beach and in other places in pay streaks only a few feet in width. The good ground, varying in richness, extended from the edge of Nome City westward about

Oct 8."
Ellis says that a rush of several thousand persons from the Pacific coast and the Klondike is expected at Nome this summer. It is evident from his letter that they are not prepared for the pack already.

from his letter that they are not prepared for the 10,000 men and women who have already sailed from the Pacific Coast, or the 10,000 more yet to sail from the coast or go down the river from Dawson.

Ellis writes, further, that Nome has had a mild winter for that latitude. Most of the time the thermometer was 10 to 20 degrees below zero, seldom going lower than 30. Two or three hard blizzards piled the snow in immense drifts all about Nome. Wood and coalwere divided up sufficiently to keep everybody warm. Provisions remained plentiful, though coatly.

COOGAN OR GUGGENHEIMER? Democratic Club Cafe Full of Partisan Melody.

Every Sunday afternoon the bedizened café looked over at a few friends of the Hon. Ran-dolph Guggenheimer, President of the Council:

New Haven's Delegation to the Democratic State Convention May Be Held Up. NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 27 .- There are pros pects of a big row in the Democratic State Convention at Waterbury on June 7 over the New Haven delegation numbering twenty-five, and the secretary of the Democratic State Central Committee, David T. McNamara of this city, declares that he may not put New Haven's

llow it to be read.

Bryan, Sulzer and G. Fred Williams to Be Asked to Make Speeches. NEW HAVEN, May 27. - The recently formed Democratic Club of the Yale Law School is al ready planning for a series of discussions during the coming campaign. It has just written ing the coming campaign. It has just written to William J. Bryan, George Fred Williams of Massachusetts and Congressman Sulzer of New York, inviting them to speak on such dates as they are able to visit the university. Addresses are expected to be held before the beginning of the fail term. The Republicans of the university have decided to organize no club until the opening of the fall term when a McKinley battalion will be formed and equipped.

Campaign Literature. SYRACUSE, May 27.-Undertaker John Mc-Carthy has had 100,000 copies of his Bryan and Free Silver pamphlet, entitled "The Gold Stand-

ard Motto," printed for circulation at the Democratic State Convention in New York. Michigan Democratic State Convention in New York. Besides picketing the entrances to the convention hall so that no one can get inside without a copy of his circular he preposes to him men to stand at the Brooklyn Bridge entrances and other strategical points about the city to hand out his literature. McCarthy will be on hand to do the work, as he will also at Kansas City July 4, for which event another 100,000 circulars are being printed.

Democratic Assembly district conventions will be held in Brooklyn to-night for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention.

OLEAN, N. Y., May 27 .- Fire destroyed the big steam sawmill of Mesereau & Co. at Port-

To Head Off a Rise in the Price of Gas.

MOST OF THE PROMISING GROUND

Prospectors Now Rushing to the New Field May Find It Difficult to Locate on Pay Dirt-Thousands of Locations Filed by Power of Attorney May Be Contested. TACOMA, Wash., May 27.—Cape Nome advices o early in March arrived to-day via Dawson and the Yukon trail. Abner T. Eliis, one of the best known mining men at Nome, writes that in his opinion all favorable ground in Cape Nome and adjacent districts has been located.

"Hundreds of stampeders have been running ill over the country out of Nome, locating all the claims they can. One man in the Cape York district, eighty miles west of here, located over four hundred claims. Think of the immense amount of ground this man seeks to control since claims in this country are 'twenty acres each. Tenderfeet coming here this summer from the States will have to do some tall husting to find a piece of ground that has not been located. Of course, many of these claims have been located by powers of attorney and it is yet unknown here whether they will be able to

five miles. There was then a break of about a mile, after which five more miles were quite mile, after which five more miles were quite rich. This ten miles was all worked over, some of it two or three times. To the westward of this strip and likewise eastward from the town a great deal of prospecting was done, but the prospects were much lighter, being hardly wages. Many are expecting to use steam pumps and sluice boxes this summer. In places I think it will pay. Anvii, Snow Gulch, Glacier and Dexter Creeks contain very rich claims in places.

places.
"I don't think that this is equal to the Klondike "I don't think that this is equal to the Klondike country by any means, and yet it will make a very good mining camp. The best ground on the creeks named runs from \$25 to \$30 per pan. The long winter is becoming terribly monotonous. Behring Sea is need over as far as we can see and the land is covered with snow. There is not a stick of standing timber to obscure the vision. Wood is worth \$35 to \$50 per cord and has to be hauled six to ten miles. It is poor wood at that, all driftwood, partly decayed and nearly always wet. We are having bright sunshine every day. Our last news from the outside world was contained in papers dated Oct. 8."

of the Democratic Club is full. The friends of the Hon. James J. Coogan, President of the borough of Manhattan, were especially in full force yesterday. They softly chortled as they

looked over at a lew friends of the Hon. Randolph Guggenheimer, President of the Council:

A grasshopper sat on a sweet lato vine.

A turkey gobbler come up behine

And yanked him into

The old oaken bucket, the fron-bound bucket.

The moss-covered bucket that bung in the well.

The Vice-Presidential booms of the Hon. Mr. Coogan and the Hon. Mr. Guggenheimer had clashed. Mr. Coogan's assertion that he stood ready to chip in \$100,000 to Bryan's campaign fund tickled his friends, and they said, soft and low, "That settles Randy's chances."

The Hon. "Randy's" friends, however would not be floored. They believed that if Mr. Coogan contributes \$100,000 to Bryan's fund it will be in the shape of Penian bonds. And after the Guggenheimerites had to chanted for ahwile, "Fenian bonds! Fenian bonds!" there was quiet for a time in the café.

declares that he may not put New Haven's delegation on the convention list. The twenty-five were reported favorably at a convention in this city on last Friday night and the committee's report accepted, but the convention, it is asserted, did not formally and technically vote that they should represent New Haven in the State Convention.

This cry of irregularity is from the radical silver element in this city. The convention refused to entertain a resolution to justruct the delegates to work and vote in the State Convention for the affirmation of the Chicago platform in 1890. The convention would not even allow it to be read.

YALE'S DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

No Party Opposition to Tillman's Re-election. COLUMBIA, S. C., May 27 - It seems to be settled that Senator Tillman will have no opposition for reelection in the primary this summer. de cannot be fought successium on Castlian saues, as his course in the Senate is commended Saues, as his course in the Senate is commended Tauric ... by a large majority of voters. A fight against him would therefore be largely personal. His opponents cannet find a man to lead a fight who has a chance of being successful, and as the issue would cause a revival of bitterness and passion now allayed, it seems decided that it will not be raised. The campaign will open June 14 and speeches will be made in every county. Col. James A. Hoyt, who heads the Probibition ticket, while quite an old man and suffering from a wound received in the war that causes him to use a crutch, will make a vigorous campaign.

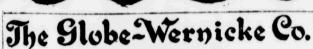
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Undertaker McCarthy to Distribute His Bryan

Lively conventions are also expected in the Ninth district. Lively conventions are also expected in Warden Hayes s district, the Fifth, and in the Seventh district, where Assistant for oration Counsel Luke D. Sapieton is trying to gain the supremacy in the interest of Senator Coffee.

wile, six miles up the river from Olean, this morning. Loss, \$25,000. The million feet of lumber in the yards was saved

The Central Labor Union appointed a committee yesterday to agitate for a municipal gas plant. The stated object of the committee is to frighten the Conso idated Gas Company so that it will not raise the price of gas.



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THE CUBA LAKE DYNAMITING.

Justice Kenefick Grants a Stay in the Case o Young Gabriel Bishop. OLEAN, N. Y., May 27 .- Justice Kenefick at Buffalo yesterday granted a stay in the case of labriel Bishop, the boy under sentence for dynamiting the Cuba Lake fishing camp and

dynamiting the Cuba Lake fishing camp and causing the death of Everett Austin. A certificate of reasonable doubt was issued and the case will now go to the Appellate Division. Judge Swift, Bishop's counsel, is confident of securing a new trial and an acquittal or the boy. Five affidavits were presented to Justice Kenefick showing that one of the jurymen said previous to the trial that if he was on the jury Bishop would be sent up. When examined the juryman said that he had never heard of the dynamiting. Bishop remains at liberty under \$5,000 bail until the Appellate Division decides about a new trial.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOYS BITTEN. Dog Believed to Be Rabid Attacks Children

MOUNT VERNON, May 27 .- A bulldog, which eemed to be rabid, ran through the streets of Chester Hill to-day just as people were on their way to church. It dashed among the Sunday school children of the Church of the Ascension. John Dodd and Herbert Mager, aged 4 and 12 years, respectively, were bitten, and John Luran, a messenger boy, was attacked but beat off the doz with a club. Young Dodd is said to be in a serious condition. The dog sank its teeth into his throat making an ugly wound. The other boy was bitten on the wrist and was not severely hurt. Patrolman Atwell shot the dog.

Water Drenching Led to Murder.

William P. Ames, a pedler, who lived in the odging house at 300 Bowery, died in the City Hospital yesterday of stab wounds he received nospital yesterday of stab wounds he received in the lodging house on March 27 from John H. Owens, another lodger, who occupied the room next to him. Owens reached home drunk and noisy and Ames, to quiet him, threw a pitcher of cold water over him. Owens in his wrath used the knife. He has been under arrest since. Yesterday Magistrate Deuel turned him over to the Coroner.

Sunday Made Dusty on Seventh Avenue The employees of the Department of Public Vorks started to sprinkle upper Seventh avenue as usual yesterday morning, but received orders to cease work. As a result Seventh avenue from 110th to 155th street was a cloud of dust all day long. The borsemen, the pedestrians and the householders all ob-jected but that didn't lay the dust.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

country two years ago and went to work as a steward on one of the Savannah Line boats, died at the City Hospital on Biackwell's Island, on May 15, of Bright's disease. It has been discovered that he was a Freemason and the Masons have claimed his body or burial.

for burial.

The body of Mrs. Georgiana McLane, widow of Robert Milligan McLane, who was Minister to France in Circeland's first administration, arrived yesterday on the French Line steamship La Touraine, from Havre. Mrs. McLane's brother, Col. Urquhart, and her daughter, Miss Georgiana, accompanied the bedy and went with it to Baltimore, where it will be interred in Greenmount Cemetery. MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC-THIS DAY. Sun rises 4:34 | Sun sets . 7:21 | Moon sets 7:2 HIGH WATER-THIS DAY. Sandy Hook.. 7:09 | Gov. I'd .. 7:41 | Hell Gate.. 9:34

Arrived—Sunday, May 27.

Sa New York Roberts, Southampton May 19.

Sa La Touraine, Santelli, Havre, May 19.

Sa City of Rome, Baxter, Glasgow, May 19.

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Sa Tartar Prince, McFarlane, Naples, May 8.

Sa Statheim, Hilt, Constantinople, April 15.

Sa British Prince, Sharpe, Havre,

Sa Leven, Pettersson, Porman, May 5.

Sa Catania, Bode, Santos, April 28.

Sa Matanzas, Regers, Havana, May 22.

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Sa Hiddur, Mussans, Curacoa, May 17.

Sa Seguranca, Hansen, Havana, May 23.

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Sa Seminole, Bearse, Jacksonville, May 25.

Sa La Grande Duchesse, Hanlon, Savannah, May 24.

Sa Nucces, Young, Galveston, May 19.

Sa Hendactor, Swain, Philadelphia, May 26.

Sa Horatic Hall, Bragg, Portland, May 26.

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Sa H. M. Whitney, Hallett, Boston, May 26. Arrived-SUNDAY, May 27.

ARRIVED OUT. Ss Southwark, from New York, at Antwerp SAILED FROM FOREIGN PORTS. Ss Etruria from Queenstown for New York. Ss Koenigin Luise, from Cherbourg for New York.

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS. Sall To-day Seminole Charleston. Sall To-morrow. Saale, Bremen...... El Cid, New Orleans..... Finance, Colon....... Daggry, Progreso...... Sall Wednesday, May 30. New York, Southampton 7 00 A M Germanic, Liverpool 9 00 A M Kensington, Antwerp 10 30 A M Algonquin, Charleston, Nueces, Galveston

INCOMING STRAMSHIPS.

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Potsdam
Marquette
Castlian Prince Antwerp New Orleans Liverpool Due To-morrow Kalser W. der Grosse ... Dur Wednesday, May 30. Liverpool St. Michaels... Para Due Thursday, May 31. Due Friday, June 1. Hamburg Hamburg La Guayra Newcastle Copenhage St. Lucia Due Saturday, June 2 Southampton Liverpool Hambu g

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ROBBED BY BOGUS INSPECTOR. When He Came Around the Second Time Shee

Store Man Nabbed Him.

Thomas J. Murphy, a plumber, living at 518 East Thirteenth street, was arrested yesterday in a shoe store at 62 Bayard street, where he was impersonating a Health Board inspector. It was impersonating a Health Board inspector. It was Murphy's second visit and that led to his arrest. He went to the store on Wednesday of last week, and after his visit the propriator. William Johnson, missed a quantity of uppers worth 36. Johnson did not tell any one of the theft, and when Murphy came around and was "inspecting" again yesterday, Johnson slipped out and called Detective Touwsma. Magistrate Décel held Murphy in \$500 bail for trial for larceny.

Erysipelas Caused This Suicide.

The body of the man who shot himself in front of 130 Baxter street on Thursday night was identified at the Morgue yesterday as that of John Shrade, a bartender, employed by Assemblyman Harry Honeck of the Twentieth district. Mr. Honeck said that Shrade, when he committed suicide, was insane as the result of repeated attacks of erysipelas.

Firemen Rewarded for Winter's Hard Work. As a reward for the hard work done in the winter, which has been the hardest in the history of the Fire Department, Commissioner Scannell has granted to every member of the force two days' vacation leave in addition to the usual ten days. This will give each fireman twelve days' vacation and each officer two ex-

Wounded Body Picked Up in Flushing Bay. Three fishermen found the body of a man in Flushing Bay yesterday afternoon and towed it to the pier at North Beach. Coroner Leonard Ruoff found a cut six inches long over the dead man's left eye, and Undertaker Tallon said he believed the skull was fractured. An autopsy will be made to determine whether death was

due to drowning or to the wound in the head A School Janitress Fatally Rurned. Anna Dittmar, janitress of the public school on Juniper avenue, Middle Village, L. I., died at her home on Catherine street, that place, yesterday from the offect of burns. Her clothing fire on Saturday morning from a bon-

fire of waste paper in the school yard. She was 66 years old and had been janitress of the school for a long time. Brooklyn Saloon Raided as a Gambling House Patrolman Nicholas Callan of Deputy Chief McLaughlin's staff visited the saloon at 1 Aiabama avenue, Brooklyn, early yesterday mora-ing and arrested Isaac Freeman, the proprietor, on a charge of maintaining a ga sobing resort. Nine men who were playing craps escaped.

MARRIDO

MORRILL-CONVERSE .- On Saturday, May 26 1900, at All Souls' Church, Madison av. and 66th st., by the Rev. Dr. R. Heber Newton, assisted by E. Walpole Warren, Walter Coolldge Morrill to Anteinette Macdonough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund C. Converse.

van GERBIG-OLCOTT.-On Friday, May 25. 1900, at the home of the bride, 4 East 53d st

New York, Barend van Gerbig to Edith. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Olcott. No cards.

BURCH. -On Sunday maralag May 27, 1900, the Rev. Thomas H. Burch of New York East Methodist Conference, in the 77th year of his age.

Notice of funeral services hereafter. COOPER. -On Sunday, May 27, 1900, Ebenezer L. Cooper, aged 79 years.
Notice of funeral hereafter. Washington and Chi-

cago papers please copy. ELY .- On May 25, 1900, Holmes Davis Ely. Funeral service on Tuesday, May 29, 1900, at 2:39 P. M., Presbyterian Church, Lambertville, N. J. Interment private.

KELLY.-On Sunday. May 27, 1900, the Rev.

James W. Kelly, rector of St. John's Churca. White Plains N. Y. Notice of funeral hereafter. KING .- At Newport, R. L. on Sunday, May 27. 1900, Elizabeth Deming Duer, in the 89th year of her age, daughter of the late William Alexander

Duer and widow of Archibald Gracie King. Notice of funeral hereafter. ROSS. - At Essex, N. Y , on Saturday, May 26, 1900. Funeral services at Essex, N. Y., on Tuesday

SNELLING. - At Maspeth, N. Y., on Sunday, May 27, 1900, Magdalena, wife of Thomas Snelling, aged 28 years. Funeral services Tuesday, May 29, 1900, at 3 P. M., at residence, Fisk avenue.

WAKEMAN. - Suddenly, on Sunday morning, May 27, 1900, at 407 West 123d at. Katharine Gluck Wakeman. Funeral private.

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